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THE MULTIVERSE WAS DESTROYED!

THE HEROES OF EARTH-616 AND EARTH-1610 WERE POWERLESS TO SAVE IT!

NOW, ALL THAT REMAINS...IS BATTLEWORLD!

A MASSIVE, PATCHWORK PLANET COMPOSED OF THE FRAGMENTS OF WORLDS THAT NO LONGER EXIST, MAINTAINED BY THE IRON WILL OF ITS GOD AND MASTER VICTOR VON DOOM!

EACH DOMAIN HOLDING ITS OWN MYSTERIES AND ENCHANTMENTS, BUT NONE MORE SAVAGE THAN GREENLAND!

GOD DOOM SENT THE NOBLE GLADIATOR STEVE ROGERS INTO GREENLAND, AN ISOLATED CONTINENT POPULATED BY HULKS. HIS MISSION: KILL ITS LEADER, THE VISCIOUS RED KING.

STEVE'S BROTHER-IN-ARMS, BUCKY BARNES, HAD BEEN TASKED TO KILL THE DOMAIN'S DESPOT ON A PRIOR ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT...HE FAILED.

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THE MUD KINGDOM.
IN GREENLAND, I SEARCHED FOR MY SALVATION.

INSTEAD, I FOUND MY RUIN.
BUCKY...?
HOW...?
SIMPLE, CAPTAIN. GOD DOOM SENT BUCKY TO KILL ME. HE WOULD NOT BE DISSUADED FROM HIS *MISSION.*
SO IT BECAME A MATTER OF *SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST.*
HAVE YOU READ GOD DOOM'S *ORIGIN OF THE SPECIES?*

YOU-- YOU DID THIS, RED KING!
YOU MONSTER--!
WHO IS THE REAL MONSTER?
IT WAS GOD DOOM WHO KILLED HIM. DOOM WHO SENT HIM INTO A HOPELESS, ABSURD POSITION. DOOM WHO IS RESPONSIBLE.
IT IS GOD DOOM WHO WOULD HAVE US ALL KILL EACH OTHER. A PERVERSE PERFORMANCE. IN TRIBUTE TO HIS MAGNIFICENCE.
A CYCLE TO CONTINUE, FOREVER AND EVER. HAIL GOD DOOM.
BUT THERE IS ANOTHER OPTION.
I CONTROL THE VIBRANIUM. I HAVE A HULK ARMY.
JOIN ME. AND WE WILL STRIKE BACK AGAINST GOD DOOM.
IT IS THE ONLY REVENGE FOR YOUR COMRADE.
YES... REVENGE.
WELCOME TO THE REVOLUTION. SHALL WE TOAST?
DOOM IS ALL-POWERFUL, BUT HE HAS ONE WEAKNESS, WHICH ONLY I HAVE DISCOVERED--

THUNK
GRAAAAUGH!
KRSSSH
YOU WORM! YOU PATHETIC--!
I WILL GRIND YOU DOWN TO DUST--!
KROOOOM
YOU!

YOU KILLED BUCKY!
HE WAS MY BEST FRIEND!
HE SAVED MY LIFE A HUNDRED TIMES!
SHUNK
SHUNK
I VOWED TO PROTECT HIM!
AND NOW--

IN
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AND NOW--

I HAVE FAILED.
BUCKY--
I SWORE I'D ALWAYS HAVE YOUR BACK--
CONGRATULATIONS, CAPTAIN. *MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!*
I AM IN *NO MOOD* FOR YOU.

SO.
YOU EMBRACED THE HULK *WITHIN.*
I KNEW YOU WOULD.
DOC GREEN--!
GOD DOOM WILL BE *PLEASED* WITH YOUR PERFORMANCE.
THE RED KING IS DEAD. NOW THE MUD KINGDOM IS *MINE* TO *RULE.*
ALL HAIL GOD DOOM.
YOU KNEW.
THAT BUCKY WAS ALREADY *DEAD?*
OF COURSE I *KNEW.* BUT IF I TOLD YOU, YOU WOULD *NEVER* HAVE--
YOU PUSHED ME ACROSS THIS ACCURSED LAND! YOU LET ME BELIEVE I COULD SAVE HIM!
YOU MANIPULATED ME! SET ME UP TO KILL THE RED KING--

AH HA, NOT QUITE, CAPTAIN.
YOU KNEW BUCKY WAS DEAD WHEN YOU KILLED THE RED KING. YOU DID THAT YOURSELF.
YOU SUCCUMBED TO YOUR OWN RAGE. THE HULK INSIDE YOU.
THERE IS NO HULK INSIDE ME, FOOL. I DID IT TO AVENGE BUCKY'S DEATH.
CAPTAIN, IF HULK IS NOT WITHIN US, THEN WE ARE AS HOLLOW AS THE VOID IN THE SKY.
THIS IS A PLANET OF BATTLE AND WAR AND BLOOD, DRAPED IN A SHEET OF CIVILIZATION--
GREENLAND IS THE TRUE FACE OF ALL OF US. IT IS THE RED KING, IT IS ME, IT IS YOU--
I AM NOTHING LIKE YOU!
YOU POMPOUS IDIOT!
YOU GRASP ONTO YOUR ILLUSIONS WHEN THE TRUTH IS WITHIN YOU ALL ALONG--
AHEH-- AHAHAHAHA--

YOU SEE? WE ARE NOT SO DIFFERENT, YOU AND I.
WE ARE HARDLY DIFFERENT AT ALL, STEVEN ROGERS.

I TOLD YOU, DOOM HAD THE SOUL OF A POET, SENDING YOU TO ME.
NO--
A JOKE ON US BOTH.
HOW--
NOW YOU SEE THE TRUTH ABOUT YOURSELF... IN ME.
WE ARE BOTH STEVEN ROGERS... ANALOGS FROM DIFFERENT KINGDOMS.
HOW CAN THIS BE--?
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
I FOUND GAMMA. I FOUND TRUTH.
WE HAD SIMILAR LIVES, STEVEN--

"--UP TO A POINT."

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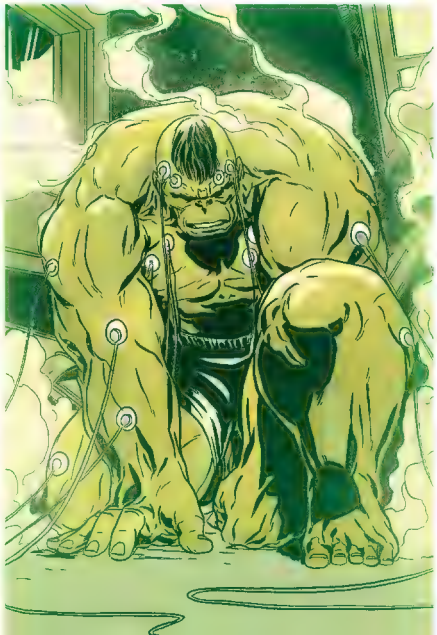
GAMMA POWERS PROGRAM



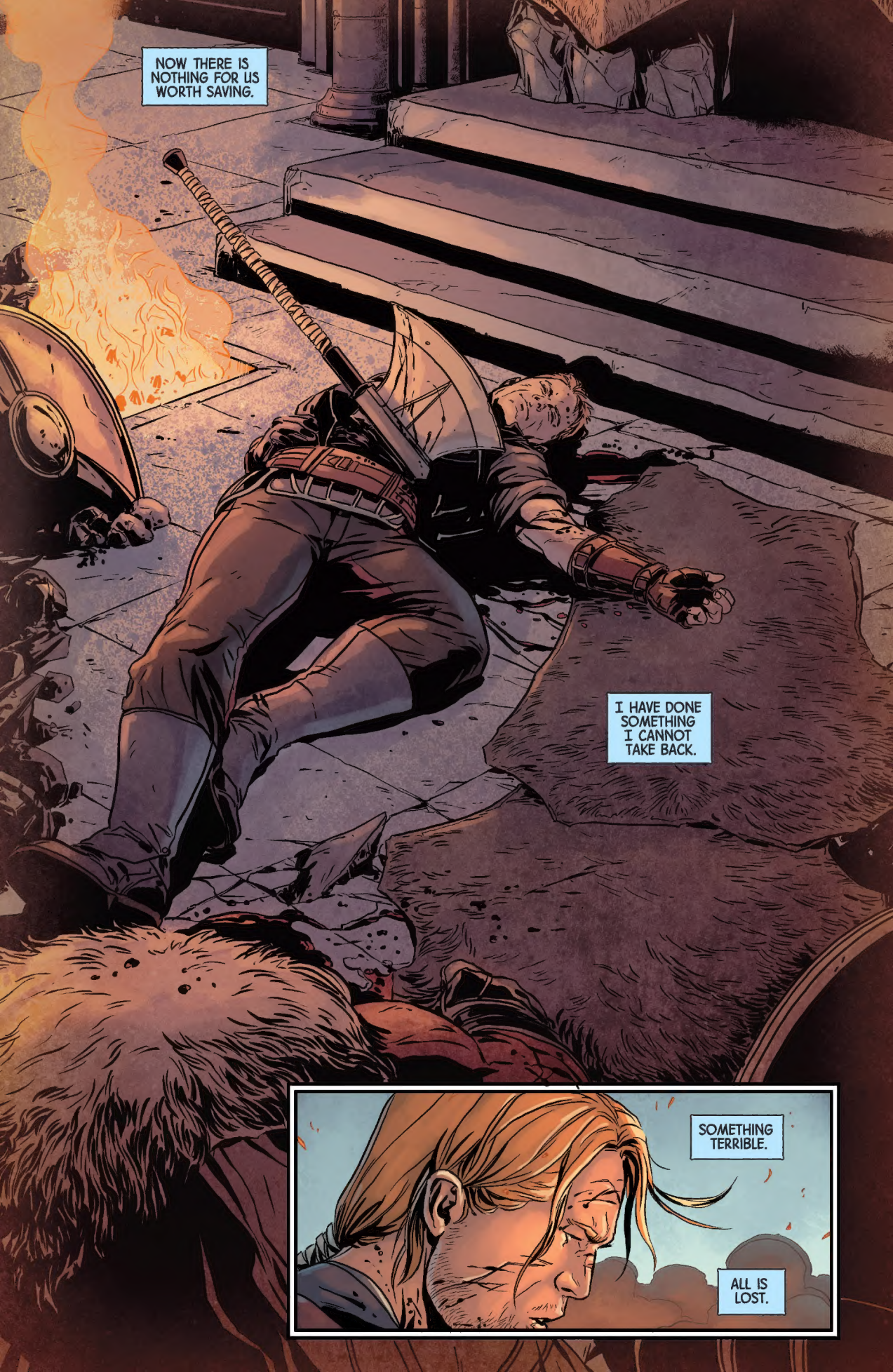
"ONCE EMPOWERED BY GAMMA--
"--THE WORLD OPENED ITSELF TO ME."

YOU NEVER KNEW BUCKY.
I DID, AND THEN I DIDN'T. BUT MY FRIEND, IN HIS DEATH, WIPED THE DECEPTION FROM MY EYES.
YOUR FRIEND, IN HIS LIFE, SHELTERED AND BLINDED YOU FROM REALITY.
GAMMA COURSES THROUGH MY VEINS, MAKING ME BIGGER, STRONGER.
BUT BUCKY'S IDEALISTIC INFLUENCE CORRUPTS YOU. MAKES YOU STUPID. EASY TO FOOL!
YOU'RE WRONG! BUCKY DID NOT MAKE ME WEAK!
AND YOUR LOYALTY TO YOUR FALLEN FRIEND IS WHY YOU WILL WALK AWAY NOW, AND LEAVE GREENLAND IN MY HANDS. AS SAVAGE AS YOU FOUND IT.
AS GOD DOOM WILLS IT. AS THIS WORLD DEMANDS.
YOU ARE WRONG, DOCTOR. BUCKY INSPIRED ME. BUCKY MADE ME BETTER THAN STRONG. HE MADE ME BRAVE.
WHAT HAVE YOU BECOME WITHOUT HIM? A COWARD.
BUCKY MADE ME BRAVE ENOUGH TO DO WHAT MUST BE DONE. LET ME SHOW YOU.
"DON'T GIVE UP!"

I CAN'T HOLD HIM!
HE'LL DESTROY US ALL!
KRSSSH
LOOK!
RAAAOAR!
YOU'RE MINE, DEVIL BEAST!
MUD KINGDOM!
WHAT NOW!?

HERE IS YOUR KING.
IMPOSSIBLE!
SPLOOSH
→SNIFF SNIFF← IT'S HIM!
IT'S THE RED KING! HE'S DEAD!
THE RED KING IS DEAD!
WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

PRRRRRR...
DEVIL...
BROTHER...
ALL IS LOST...
SNRF?
SNFF SNFFFF--
I AM SORRY. I TOLD YOU WE WOULD FIND HIM.
BUCKY... HE IS GONE.
HE IS...
GRRRAAUGH--?
RAUGH!
RAAAUGH!
AAAUUUUUGH!
WE CAME TO GREENLAND TO SAVE OUR WARBOUND.


NOW THERE IS NOTHING FOR US WORTH SAVING.
I HAVE DONE SOMETHING I CANNOT TAKE BACK.
SOMETHING TERRIBLE.
ALL IS LOST.

I AM AFRAID, BROTHER...
RAROOOO--
BUCKY...HE ALWAYS MADE ME FEEL LIKE THERE WAS HOPE. THAT THE FUTURE WAS WORTH FIGHTING FOR.
BUT THERE IS NO FUTURE.
IS THERE ANYTHING LEFT FOR US BESIDES BLOOD AND VIOLENCE?
WE SHOULD NEVER HAVE COME HERE.
COME, BROTHER. LET US GO.
DO NOT LOOK BACK, DEVIL.
NEVER LOOK BACK.

...and
thus endeth
the
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